# May 2025 Bluegrass Coin Club Newsletter

Happy Spring everyone. Hope you all enjoyed the messy but exciting Derby and congratulations to graduates across the land. It seems that finally we have resolution to the Kentucky sales tax question on coins and bullion. Perhaps that will lead to more, and larger, coin shows in the Commonwealth. Still no 2025 coins have been found in the wild by the editor or his family.

# **Spring Cleaning and Club Membership**

The Bluegrass Coin Club has started the process of reconciling the dues paid roster versus the email and snail mail roster. We still have one member who is paid but we are not sure of their email:

### **Bill Evans**

Please let Roger Mulvaney or one of the other officers know what your email is so we can makes sure you are getting the monthly newsletter. If you are no longer getting the newsletter, it is likely because there is no record of dues being paid for 2025. Likewise, if you know you paid dues and are not getting the monthly newsletter, please let us know at <u>bgcoinclub@gmail.com</u>.

Club membership is open to anyone but please make sure your dues are paid so the Club can pay the bills and you can enjoy all of the benefits we provide!

# Coin Week Trivia Results

The ANA shared that there were two winners tied with correct answers for the Trivia contest results: The Dallas Coin Club and the Eagle Rock Numismatic Society. Second place results go to Ozarks Coin Club, the Cincinnati Numismatic Association, Nashua Coin Club, Northeast Tarrant Coin Club, and the Huron Valley Numismatic Society. Congratulations to the winners!

The following is the list of questions and correct answers (answers are in bold).

National Coin Week Trivia 2025 Final

1. The historical drama series The Crown depicts the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II (played by Claire Foy) and all of the political and familial drama it entailed. Who created the first image of Queen Elizabeth II that appeared on a British Crown coin? Gilbert Ledward (Royal mint website The Royal Mint Starter Coins: Elizabeth II 1953 Coronation Crown | The Royal Mint)

2. King Edward VIII is a popular character in British television dramas due to his infamy for abdicating the throne after 326 days to marry Wallace Simpson. Due to the short length of his reign, only specimen and essay notes were produced recognizing him as "Edward VIII". What countries included images of Edward as the Prince of Wales on their circulating bank notes? **Canada, Australia (watermark)** 

3. In the Harry Potter book series by J. K. Rowling, the British wizarding community uses wizard money in the form of Gold Galleons, Silver Sickles, and Bronze Knuts. What monetary system, used until 1969, was the wizard monetary system based upon? **Pound, Shilling, Pence system (United Kingdom, etc.)** 

4. The modern Olympic Games draw fans from around the world to locations, and to their screens, for the summer and winter games. The United States Mint has produced commemorative coins celebrating the modern summer Olympics games since the commemorative coin program restarted in 1983. What years and denominations of United States Olympic and

Paralympics commemorative coins do not include the distinctive five ring emblem? **1984 \$1; 1995 Special Olympics \$1; 2002 \$5** 

5. Baseball is known as the "Great American Pastime". Who was the first professional American baseball player to be named on a United States coin? **Jackie Robinson (1997)** 

6. The 1893 Columbian Exposition held in Chicago, Illinois gained international attention due to the varied scope of the exhibits. Total attendance exceeded 27.5 million. The entry tickets are examples of ephemera produced for this event and included images of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Christopher Columbus. What company produced the 1893 admission tickets? **American Bank Note Company**.

7. Fashion was important in Imperial Rome, just as it is today - what series of ancient Roman coins features the pop culture hair fashions? The series featuring hairstyles of the women of the Imperial family.

8. What popular series of medals, produced in large numbers with many varieties, celebrated the victories, real and imagined, of the namesake of Washington's home? Admiral Vernon medals

9. Looks are very important in pop culture – icons like their images to stay up to date. The ancients believed that looks were important too – which Roman Emperor, notorious for murdering his younger brother, used more than five portraits as he aged from his childhood to his late 20s on them? **Caracalla (AD 188-217), son of Septimius Severus had images that portrayed him from the time** 

10. To commemorate Ralph Baer's contributions to the video game industry, a one dollar coin was issued in 2021. Which mint issued this coin and what video game is displayed? **U.S. Mint and Pong** 

11. The 2015 Native American Mohawk Ironworkers Dollar honors their contributions to skyscraper construction. What iconic New York City building, which has been featured in hundreds of movies and TV shows since the 1930s and can be seen on this coin? **Empire State Building** 

12. This coin features a U.S. state famous for its contributions to the birth of genres like blues, country, and rock-and-roll. The coin showcases three musical instruments, one of which is depicted with an incorrect number of

# strings (five instead of six). What is this coin, and from which series does it belong? 2002 Tennessee State Quarter from the State Quarter Program (1999-2008)

13. William Shakespeare wrote plays to entertain the masses in Elizabethan England. References to money appear often in his plays, including the following quote from Henry IV (Part 1, Act II, scene iv): One that never spake other English in his life than "Eight shilling and six pence" How many pence would the amount "Eight Shillings and sixpence" equal in the monetary system of Shakespeare's time? **102 pence** 

# 14. Hard Times token – Jack in the box and who it represents

# 15. Racketeer Nickel – "Joshing" as a popular saying

If you have specific questions, please reach out to the ANA Numismatic Educator Steven Roach at <u>sroach@money.org</u>.

Anyone in the club is welcome to contribute articles or other information to the monthly newsletter. Write a story about a numismatic related topic that interests you, share some pictures of your collection, or brag about a recent coin find at the local grocery store's CoinStar machine. We would love to hear from you! Email us at bgcoinclub@gmail.com.

#### **Upcoming Coin Shows**

\*All dates are 2025 unless noted otherwise and it is recommended to check with the coin show website or organizers for accuracy or cancellations. Please email <u>bgcoinclub@gmail.com</u> to report any errors or info about other KY area coin shows.

#### Knoxville Coin & Currency Show

June 7<sup>th</sup> Rothchild Catering & Conference Center 8807 Kingston Pike Knoxville, TN 37923 Contact: Robert Bruner at <u>beavercreekcoins@gmail.com</u> or (865) 660-8692

#### **River City (WVa) Coin Club Show**

July 19th Mount Vernon Baptist Church 2150 Mount Vernon Road Hurricane, WV 25526 Contact: Greg Mencotti at (304) 840-7036 or <u>mencotti\_coins@yahoo.com</u>.

#### The Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Exposition

July 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Sharonville Convention Center 11355 Chester Rd. Sharonville, OH Contact: Dave Heinreich at <u>cincycoins@gmail.com</u>

#### ANA World's Fair of Money

August 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Oklahoma City Convention Center 100 Mick Cornett Drive Oklahoma City, OK 73109 World's Fair of Money® | American Numismatic Association: American Numismatic Association

#### **Greenhills Classic Coin, Stamp, and Jewelry Show**

Last Sunday of each month American Legion Post 530 11100 Winton Rd., Cincinnati, OH Contact: Jim Huffman, Col. USA (Ret.) (937) 901-2110 numismaniaofohio@gmail.com

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